

PATENT APPLICATION

N THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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For:

FUSED TRICYCLIC COMPOUNDS, PROCESS FOR THEIR PREPARATION, AND

HERBICIDAL COMPOSITIONS CONTAINING THEM

RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

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Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the "Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US)," mailed January 17, 2002 for the above application, Applicant respectfully submits herewith the Declaration for the above identified application properly executed by the inventors.

A check for the statutory fee of \$130.00 is attached. Please also charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this paper is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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